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Yoshihiro TAKEMAE

Group Art Unit: 2185

Application No.: 10/687,591

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For:

MEMORY SYSTEM

REQUEST FOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF PRIORITY DOCUMENT

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November 13, 2006

Sir:

In the Notice of Allowability dated October 26, 2006, the Examiner indicated that the certified copy of the priority document has not been received in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. The priority document was filed in parent Application Number 10/057,989, now U.S. Patent Number 6,650,593 B2, on January 29, 2002. Acknowledgement of the claim for priority was made on February 4, 2003, Paper Number 4.

The undersigned respectfully requests that the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office acknowledge receipt of the priority document for the above-identified application. Copies of the transmittal letter, the front cover of the priority document and the stamped postcard receipt are enclosed in support of this request.

Please charge any fee deficiency or credit any overpayment with respect to this paper to Counsel's Deposit Account Number 01-2300, referencing Docket Number 108397-00109.

Respectfully submitted,

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Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) is a nonprovisional patent application:

By (Inventors): Yoshihiro TAKEMAE

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Formal drawings (Figs. <u>1-17</u>; <u>17</u> sheets are attached.

A Declaration and Power of Attorney is attached.

An assignment of the invention to <u>FUJITSU LIMITED</u> is attached, along with Form PTO-1595 and a check for \$40.00.

An Information Disclosure Statement is attached, along with Form PTO-1449, and <u>1</u> references.

This application is entitled to Small Entity Status.

A Preliminary Amendment is attached.

Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence --This nonprovisional application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. _____, filed

Priority of foreign application No. 2001-052484 filed February 27, 2001 in Japan is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119.

A certified copy of the above corresponding foreign application is attached.

The filing fee is calculated below and includes claim status after entry of any Preliminary Amendment noted above:

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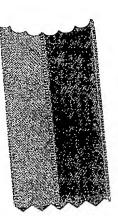
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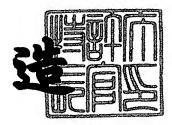
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Sir:

In the Notice of Allowability dated October 26, 2006, the Examiner indicated that the updated copy of the Information Disclosure Statement with Form PTO-1449 filed on October 20, 2003, has not been considered because the Examiner alleges that a copy of the reference was not submitted in this application or in any related application. However, Applicant respectfully submits that the reference was cited in the Office Action dated February 4, 2003, in parent Application Number 10/057,989, now U.S. Patent Number 6,650,593 B2.

Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to initial and return to the undersigned a copy of the subject Form PTO-1449. For the convenience of the Examiner, copies of the Information Disclosure Statement, Form PTO-1449 and reference are attached.

Should there be any questions concerning this communication, please telephone the undersigned attorney at the telephone number set forth below.

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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.56, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the information item(s) listed on the attached PTO-1449. Unless otherwise indicated herein, one copy of each item(s) is attached. It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the item(s) be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

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Memory devices or functions in this system include the following:

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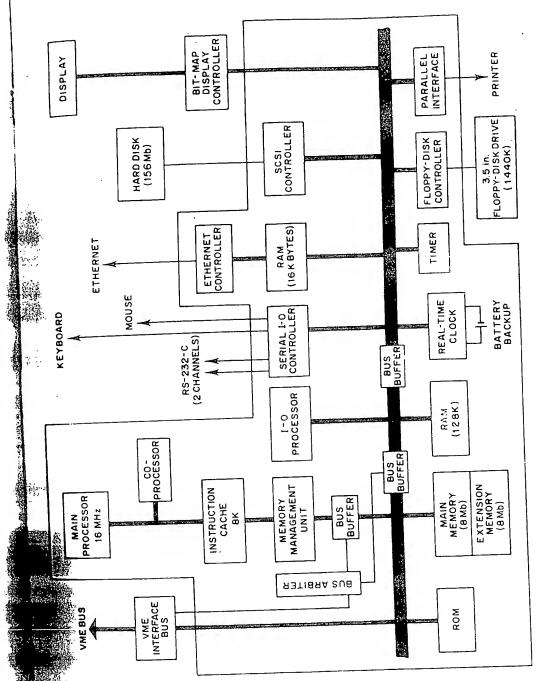


Figure 3.10
Typical bus oriented system configuration highlighting memory usage. (From Electronics [6] 1987, Sony Corporation.)

can transmit an interrupt signal. Interrupt signals are used when two processors can access the same memory location at the same time to avoid an indeterminate state occurring in that memory location if one tries to read while the other is writing. Another feature which can be used in a memory system, where contention between two processors accessing the same bit of memory is possible, is a 'busy' signal which indicates that the data location is being accessed.

- (e) The memory management unit gives the system single level paging, virtual memory architecture. It supports demand-paging virtual memory. The MMU acts as a 35 ns cache for faster access of the pages in most recent use. One level paging with a page size of 4k bytes is used. The originals of the MMU page-table entries are stored in the main memory and the MMU serves as the cache for faster access of these pages.
- (f) The high speed multiwindow display system requires hardware with the 'bit boundary block' (bitblt) transfer function for the bit-map displays. This could be implemented either in an applications specific memory, or, as in this case, with a 2000 gate array. The color display uses one gate array to hold the current data for each color plane all of which operate concurrently so that multiwindow processing in color can be done as fast as for monochrome.
- (g) There is an option for connecting peripherals on a VME bus. In a master-slave arrangement, the CPU operates as master for controlling access to the peripherals. Both addresses and data words are 32 bits wide.
- (h) Archive files are provided with 156Mb of hard disk and a 1440k byte floppy disk drive, both on the 8 bit SCSI control bus. This bus is capable of parallel data transfer at 1.5 Mb s⁻¹ (or 83 ns/bit data rate) for asynchronous transmission and 4 Mb s⁻¹ for synchronous. This very slow data rate and large size of memory means that a high density, low cost alternative must be chosen for the archive memory. Clearly either optical or magnetic memory could be used for the hard disk.
- (i) The system also supports distributed processing, or networking. The directories of the memory files from a remote machine can be entered in the users machine and accessed just like local files through a virtual file system in the Unix.
- (j) The system also supports Ethernet using 16k bytes of SRAM in this interface onto the 16 bit peripherals bus.
- (k) Finally, the system contains a real-time clock which can store the time either in static RAM with battery back-up or in an EEPROM. In this particular system SRAM with battery back-up was used.